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RE: <u>Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company</u>, D.T.E. 01-76- Request for extension to file responses to Department IRs to January 8, 2002

January 2, 2002

Dear Ms. Rabinowitz:

On December 26, 2001, Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Light Company ("Company") requested an extension to respond to Department information requests from December 28, 2001 to January 8, 2002 due to "time and personnel constraints over the holidays." The Company may complete its filing of all of its responses to Department information requests no later than the close of business, January 8, 2002.

Please note that in my instructions of December 14, 2001, I requested that the Company "not wait for all answers to be completed before supplying answers." Therefore, I expect the Company to provide answers as they are completed, and that January 8, 2002 would be the final day for the Company to complete its responses. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (617) 305-3620.

Sincerely,

William H. Stevens, Jr. Hearing Officer

cc: Mary Cottrell
Staff as assigned
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